

In re Application of:

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**AMENDMENTS**

**A. IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please enter the following rewritten claims as follows:

2. (Amended) An isolated polynucleotide sequence encoding the growth differentiation factor-16 (GDF-16) polypeptide as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2.

3. (Amended) An isolated polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of:

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a) SEQ ID NO: 1, wherein T can also be U;  
b) nucleic acid sequences complementary to SEQ ID NO: 1;  
c) fragments of a) or b) that are at least 15 bases in length and that will identify a DNA sequence which encodes a GDF-16 polypeptide of SEQ ID NO: 2 by hybridization; and  
d) SEQ ID NO: 1.